

HAPPENINGS OF A DRAFT DAY IN CITY

Crowder Warns
Against Liberal
Draft Exemption

Interests of Nation, Not Individual, Must Be Observed, He Says

Want Aliens Called

Senators Approve Negotiations
With Allies to Permit
Alien Conscription

Washington, Aug. 1.—Every precaution should be taken by district exemption boards, the appeal bodies, to prevent discharge of men from the draft on sole grounds of material hardship to them individually or to their employers, said a circular on the duty of district boards, issued today by Provost Marshal General Crowder.

"It is the interest of the nation solely that must be subserved," said General Crowder, adding that consequently industrial exemptions should be granted only to men absolutely essential to the conduct of a business which itself is essential to proper prosecution of the war. District boards have original jurisdiction in all cases of industrial exemptions.

"All cases of discharge by local boards on grounds of dependency are to be appealed automatically to the district board," General Crowder said, and each case should be scanned carefully, though not necessarily reopened for hearing. For each local board an official will be appointed to act as government challenger against men whom he believes discharged without adequate cause. Firemen, policemen and students in technical schools are not to be discharged under industrial exemption regulations.

Balance Must Be Struck

"To district boards will be entrusted the solution of one of the most vital problems of the war," says General Crowder's circular. "Two things are to be accomplished—to raise armies and to maintain industries. It is self-evident that the problem is not absolutely to prevent interference with industry, for that is impossible. It is to reduce interference to a minimum. A balance

must be struck and maintained between the military and industrial needs of the nation.

"In making this economic balance it is the interest of the nation solely that must be subserved; the interest of individuals or associations of individuals cannot be considered as such, and, indeed, can only benefit from the action of district boards where the individual interest happens to coincide with the interest of the nation.

"Over and above the interests of the government as such there is a substantial measure in which every registered person and, indeed, every member of the community, has a real interest in each exemption or discharge granted by a local board.

"To this end, and to the end that the appeals in dependency cases may be promptly taken, Section 27 of the regulations provides that some person be designated to appeal all discharges or exemptions on the grounds of dependency or exemptions by local boards on other grounds. This designation has already been made for each local board, or will be made within the next few days.

"The person will keep himself informed of the action of local boards in other cases, and on his initiative or upon information that may be brought to his attention by other persons he should appeal other cases of exemption or discharge when in his opinion the best interests of the government and justice to other registrants make such an appeal desirable."

Senator McCumber's resolution requesting the President to negotiate with the Allies for an agreement to allow drafting of their alien nationals in this country was adopted late today by the Senate.

Letters pouring into the Department of Justice from every section of the country at the rate of 100 to 200 a day are reporting men who failed to register for the draft.

A special corps of investigators and clerks is handling the reports, forwarding them to the proper officials throughout the country and recording the results.

Thus far it has been found that the information in a large percentage of the letters has been correct and as a result of such voluntary aid to the government hundreds of slackers have been placed on the registration rolls. The letters come from all classes of persons, some of them anonymous and a large percentage being from women.

**Few Men Available
For Army in New Bedford**

New Bedford, Mass., Aug. 1.—Only eighty-eight registrants out of 383 thus far called by the draft exemption board of Division 2 in this city appear as probably eligible for military service, 110 were aliens, 160 reported dependents and sixteen had other grounds for possible exemption. Physical examinations are yet to be held. A large proportion of the men of military age in this city are employed in the mills.

Slacker Weddings
Fall Off Following
Prosecution Ruling

Only 145 Licenses Issued as
Against 292 for Previous Day

The "slacker weddings" fell off in numbers yesterday following the discouragement offered by government officials and the threats of prosecution. Only 145 licenses were issued in the Municipal Marriage License Bureau and only ninety-six marriages were performed, as opposed to 292 licenses and 164 marriages, which was Manhattan's record for Tuesday.

Assistant United States District Attorney Knox asserted yesterday that he had been in communication with Washington and reported that the "slacker bridegrooms" had a sad surprise ahead in the form of a law calculated to catch just such evaders of military duty. The law, he said, had already been drafted.

United States Marshal McCarthy and his aids were busy at the Marriage License Bureau, although there was not so much need of their efforts yesterday, as most of the men evidently had had their warning and came prepared with their registration cards. When these were produced the marshal had no further power to interfere with the marriage.

There were eight couples waiting at the Municipal Building at 6 o'clock yesterday morning. The rush continued up to noon and then died down.

Officials of the bureau regained their usual benign expression as a result of the slacking up of slackers, and even the heat did not prevent them from being almost happy as they surveyed the long, quiet rooms where the day before the turbulent crowds stood in line.

"We gave him a shock," chuckled Deputy Marshal Eugene Donley, "when we broke up their little schemes yesterday by sending them home for their registration cards. As for those who have been married already, we'll get 'em yet. Just wait till they come up before their local exemption boards testify that they were only married today. They won't have a chance, especially those who marry girls who are now self-supporting."

Although there was a decided falling off in numbers, the spirit of the "slacker weddings" seemed to be just as far below the level of patriotism as on the previous days.

"Get will help a little," argued Fannie Lotofsky. "You say you can take my man off I work? How can I prove I can work? Maybe I be sick."

Draft Chairman to Send Cousin
to War Despite Sister's Tears

"Aunt Rebecca's Son Must Be a Man," Dr. Girsdanskys
Tells Weeping Girl—Nine-tenths in District 93
Will Claim Exemption

When Dr. Max Girsdanskys, chairman of exemption board No. 93, at 229 East Broadway, said farewell to the eldest two of his six sons on the occasion of their departure for officers' training camps several months ago he went back into his book-littered study and thought the war had already done its worst to him. But yesterday a weeping, frail little girl came to him with a reminder of a deathbed promise he had made to his Aunt Rebecca ten years ago, and Dr. Girsdanskys knew then that even a local war board chairmanship has its agonies.

For the girl was his own cousin, Aunt Rebecca's daughter, and she had come in behalf of her brother, Isadore Miller, of 15 Montgomery Street, who will be the first non-allen called before Board No. 93 to-morrow.

"You remember what mother asked of you," pleaded the girl. "She died in peace when you said you would look out for us. You won't send Isie off, will you? Isie's such a brother, Cousin Max! You don't know how good he is. Oh, you couldn't send him from us, his sisters—oh, you couldn't."

Cousin Must Do His Duty

The doctor took the tear-soaked face of the girl between his hands.

"He's Aunt Rebecca's boy and your brother, and I did promise her I'd look out for you all. But, child, this is looking out for you. Aunt Rebecca's son has to be a man, and it's men we're sending over to France. You may weep, I would, too, if I dared. But Isadore has to go, and your cousin Max isn't doing ill by him not to make excuses for him. Remember that."

So Isie's sister, sobbing still, stumbled out of the office and home, and to-morrow Isadore Miller will be the first man examined and the first man accepted by Board 93. He has already been examined unofficially and is sure to pass.

But although the work of Board 93 will start off with this encouraging sign, nine-tenths of the registered men in the first call are expected to claim exemption in this district, for they are almost entirely Russian-Jews—peddlers, tailors, jewellers—and being twenty-one, ergo they are married; and being married, they are sure to have children. Last night at the board they were lined up to the street-headed patriarchy, asking information about their sons; talking spouses with strings of chil-

dren demanding that their husbands be "let off"; worried young husbands explaining volubly the several reasons why they could not serve. Usually the reasons were children, but sometimes they were weak feet, or stomach troubles now and then, or fervid religious objections to war.

These Poor Men Will Fight

"They may call this a rich man's war if they like," said one of the board members, "but the poor aren't going to fight if this district is any indication."

At Board No. 142, Eighty-fifth Street and First Avenue, the percentage of exemption claims was estimated as being 80 per cent of the physically fit. So that with four out of five men swearing before a notary that they were the sole support and so forth and so on, it was very refreshing to hear young Samuel Ulrich, of 481 East Eighth Street, declare that he was "tired of all this bellyaching around," and that he "wanted to be examined immediately."

He was, of course, for men who signify their readiness to serve are given the precedence over the others, but he was rejected on account of defective eyes, and a more dejected young patriot was never seen than Ulrich after he had news—had been broken to him.

This board is going to catch one slacker, however, for they have been forewarned by no less person than the gentleman's mother, who wrote to the chairman stating the hard, unvarnished truth about her son's patriotic intentions.

Does Not Support Mother

"He's going to claim exemption on the ground that he supports me," she wrote. "He doesn't, never has, and never will, and he should be exempted on no condition whatever."

Needless to say, that young man is destined to do his duty by his country. He was a dozen or so heroes at this board who began to be disagreeable along about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

"We've been here all day," growled one. "I can't come again. Who's going to pay for the day's work we lose, anyway?"

It was explained in the chairman's most courteous and ironic tones that this was government business, and that it was too bad if individuals had to be inconvenienced ever so slightly, but that it couldn't be helped, and would the gentleman please submit? But the gentleman continued to snarl until they finally examined him to get rid of him, whereupon he immediately claimed exemption.

And he kicks at the taxes, and hates up to the street-headed patriarchy, asking information about their sons; talking spouses with strings of chil-

Draft Law Puzzles
Wives Able to Earn
Their Own Living

Feminists Assert Rules Do
Not Recognize Economic
Independence of Women

Say Any Girl Can Work

Law Called Vague on Problems of Self-Support by Indignant Agitators

What does Uncle Sam expect of the woman who is capable of economic independence?

Is it the duty of the wife to become self-supporting in order to release her husband for military service?

Can a man escape the draft if his wife can earn her own living?

These are some of the problems which have arisen in connection with the draft, and to which no answers have as yet been definitely made at Washington. Uncle Sam is curiously indifferent to the problem of the economic independence of women, which has agitated the feminist world for years.

Rules Vague on Independent Women

The rules governing the draft are extremely concise and thorough in regard to women with separate incomes not derived from their husbands' mental or physical labor. Nothing is said, however, about the wife who is capable of earning her own income. It does not recognize the fact that Mary, six months married, gave up \$1,500 a year when she became solely dependent upon John, and that if John went to war she could get her old job back again to-morrow.

"If a woman is dependent upon a man at the time of the passage of the draft law, that gives him a claim to exemption," was the opinion given last night from the office of Deputy Attorney General Roscoe S. Conkling. "The law recognizes the man's responsibility to support the woman he has made his wife, and whether or not she is capable

of holding down a job is nothing in the eyes of the law."

Slackers Up to Boards

On the other hand, the responsibility of the man who was married yesterday—the "slacker bridegroom" of the Municipal Marriage Bureau—to support his wife, will be questioned by the board of examiners of the exemption boards. If it seems a fact, in the opinion of the exemption board, that the marriage was performed solely for the purpose of evading the draft, the economic independence of the woman will be a large factor in sending the "slacker" into the trenches.

The only utterance President Wilson himself has made on this subject was to the effect that a man's first duty was to his family; if his going to war would make his family a public charge, he should not feel obliged to go. This statement, feminists pointed out yesterday with some indignation, seemed to recognize only two alternatives for a woman, either to have some man support her or to become a public charge; the feminist contention that almost any woman can earn her own living did not enter into the situation at all.

Boards to Decide

In absolute contradiction to the opinion of General Conkling's office, the Mayor's committee, which maintains an information bureau at No. 280 Broadway for the benefit of perplexed citizens, gave out the opinion last night that the economic independence of women would be a factor in the situation.

"If a woman can hold down a job her husband cannot claim exemption," it was stated by a member of the committee.

"Who is to decide whether she can hold down a job?"

"The local boards."

Engineer Detachment
Leaves for the South

Company D, 22d Regiment, to
Put Spartanburg Camp
in Shape

New York started the first of its soldiers on the path that leads to the South and France late yesterday afternoon, when Company D of the 22d Engineers left this city for Camp Wadsworth, at Spartanburg, S. C.

At 2 o'clock the company, commanded by Captain George D. Snyder, was inspected by Colonel Cornelius Vanderbilt, who congratulated the men on their call to duty. Then they marched to the 168th Street and Broadway subway station and rode in special cars to Wall Street, where they detrained, and, headed by a life and drum corps, tramped to the Liberty Street ferry.

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How to Tell if You Are Called By Your Board for Examination

The following selection boards in Manhattan, Brooklyn and The Bronx issued their draft quotas yesterday, together with printed lists of the registrants in their districts called for examination.

In the list below note the extreme right-hand column, which gives the highest drawing number called in each district. If you live in any of the districts named below, and if your draft number—not your red serial number—is higher than the highest number given in your district, then you will not be called for the present.

In case any district fails to fill its quota its board will issue another call.

MANHATTAN			
District.	Headquarters.	Quota.	Highest number called in drawing.
92.	P. S. 2, 116 Henry st.	123	346
101.	26 Horatio st.	160	360
106.	P. S. 33, 418 West Twenty-eighth st.	169	393
111.	Parochial School, 532 West 43d st.	192	750
118.	Stuyvesant H. S., 16th st., near First av.	168	336
125.	P. S. 87, 77th st. and Amsterdam av.	197	312
127.	P. S. 73, 209 East Forty-sixth st.	212	424
145.	City College, Prof. Palmer's office.	172	344
158.	P. S. 67, 120 West Forty-sixth st.	214	450
161.	P. S. 102, 335 East 113th st.	214	450
BROOKLYN			
25.	P. S. 14, Concord and Navy sts.	184	370
29.	P. S. 71, Heywood st., near Lee av.	120	500
31.	P. S. 35, Decatur st. and Lewis av.	219	438
38.	P. S. 133, Butler st., between 4th and 5th avs.	204	408
45.	Central Y. M. C. A., 55 Hanson Place.	452	1,401
47.	P. S. 3, Hancock st., near Bedford av.	220	450
48.	Manual Training H. S., 7th av. and 94th st.	486	1,865
52.	P. S. 50, South Third st., near Driggs.	169	350
59.	New Utrecht H. S., 86th st. and N. Utrecht av.	208	420
62.	Y. M. C. A., Bedford av. and Monroe st.	196	500
63.	P. S. 44, Throop and Putnam avs.	402	1,992
64.	Commercial H. S., Albany av. and Dean st.	209	420
65.	P. S. 167, Eastern Parkway.	600	2,008
66.	Erasmus Hall H. S., Church and Flatbush avs.	210	420
70.	P. S. 123, Irving and Willoughby avs.	179	400
77.	2893 Fulton st.	193	386
81.	P. S. 158, Belmont av. and Ashford st.	202	410
BRONX			
1.	260 East 188th st.	265	600
2.	P. S. 22, 599 East 140th st.	240	526
7.	P. S. 21, White Plains av. and 225th st.	195	390
9.	Hupfel Building, 161st st. and Third av.	209	468
11.	1035 Stebbins av.	209	1,242
12.	Morris H. S., 166th st. and Boston Road.	204	1,117
21.	P. S. 33, Jerome av. and 184th st.	204	272
RICHMOND			
188.	P. S. 14, Stapleton.	186	485

Guard Camp Officers To Be Named Soon

Appointment Is Only Delay to Training of 300,000 Men

Washington, Aug. 1.—Appointment of the general officers to command the sixteen National Guard training camps is the only step remaining to be taken to get more than 300,000 men of this force in training for duty in France. It was indicated today that the appointments would be made during the week, as well as those of all other general officers for the Guard. The nominations must be sent to the Senate.

The War Department made public today a detailed statement of progress being made with the preparation of the sixteen camps. The camps at Augusta, Ga.; Deming, N. M.; Montgomery, Ala.; Spartanburg, S. C.; and Waco, Tex., were to have been ready today, but delays were encountered, and it will take another two weeks to prepare them. The troops called into the Federal service on July 16, including the New York and Pennsylvania divisions, have been assigned to these camps, and will not be sent forward until quarters are ready for them.

Camps for the second Guard group, called out July 25, will be ready on

August 15, and the quarters for the third, or Western, group will be ready September 1.

Presumably the list of general officers, both for the National Guard and the National Army, will contain the names of the great majority, if not all, of the present general officers of the Guard.

One in Six Available
For Army in Cleveland

Cleveland, Aug. 1.—Cleveland Draft District No. 15 prepared today to send out notices to summon 1,532 more men for physical examination, when board officials found that virtually only one man in every six would be available and that the 766 men already summoned would not come anywhere near producing the original quota of 383 men for the district.

Of the first 379 men examined from Draft Districts Nos. 15 and 2, 219 were passed as "physically fit." Out of those 219 men 172 made a claim of exemption. Accordingly, the first two days of the actual draft show only forty-seven men out of the first 379 examined accepted without qualification for the National Army.

Pittsburgh, Aug. 1.—To provide Allegheny County's quota of 11,000 men for the first increment of the National Army draft board officials here believe it will be necessary to call 60,000 registrants.

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